Incorrect depiction of Indian maps

2284. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of specific instances of inaccurate depiction of India's boundaries brought to the notice of Government by Indian Missions and Posts abroad during the last five years, year-wise;

(b) the steps that have been taken by Government through diplomatic and political channels on such specific complaints; and

(c) whether any measures have been taken by Government to prevent recurrence of such instances?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (c) Specific instances of inacurate depiction of India's boundaries brought to the notice of Government by Indian Missions and Posts abroad during the last five years, year-wise, are as follows:

Year	Number of instances
2000	Six
2001	Three
2002	Nine
2003	Thirteen
2004	Nine

The concerned India Mission/Post took up the issue of inaccurate depiction of India's boundaries with the concerned publisher/agency, advised them to rectify the mistake, and impressed upon them not to repeat the said distortions/discrepancies in their future publications. Where necessary, Mission/Post also supplied accurate latest political map of India to the concerned Party. This is our established practice and all Indian Missions/Posts follow it, which certainly contributes towards preventing/discouraging recurrence of such instances.